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**PATENT AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**  
(Provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 Apply)

Application Number	09/323,628	Filing Date	June 1, 1999
Group Art Unit	1723	Examiner Name	D. Sorkin
Confirmation No.	9448	Attorney Docket No.	791_052 CPA
Inventor(s)	Kenshin Kitoh		
Invention:	LITHIUM SECONDARY BATTERY		

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as follows:

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

(1)	(2) Claims Remaining After Amendment	(3)	(4) Highest Number Previously Paid	(5) No. of Extra Claims Present	(6) Rate (Large Entity)	(7) Additional Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS	25	MINUS	26	0	\$18.00	\$00.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	MINUS	3	0	\$84.00	\$00.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>						\$00.00

**EXTENSION OF TERM**

☐ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

☒ This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The requested extension and appropriate non-small entity fee are as follows:

- ☒ One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) ..... \$110.00
- ☐ Two Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) ..... \$400.00
- ☐ Three Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) ..... \$920.00

110.00

**TOTAL FEES DUE**

110.00

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is:

**FEE PAYMENT** 08/22/2002 BNGUYEN1 00000001 09323628

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- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge Deposit Account 50-1446 in the amount of \$. Enclosed is a duplicate copy of this sheet.
- ☒ Please charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-1446.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 18, 2002, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 8, 12, 13, 22 and 25-27 to read as follows:

1. (Amended Four Times) A lithium secondary battery, comprising:
- an internal electrode body including a positive electrode, a negative electrode, and a separator, the positive electrode and the negative electrode being wound or laminated with the separator so that the positive electrode and the negative electrode are prevented by the separator from coming into direct contact with each other;
  - an organic electrolyte; and
  - at least a plurality of positive electrode tabs connected to the positive electrode and at least a plurality of negative electrode tabs connected to the negative electrode for current collecting,
  - a total cross-sectional area of all of the positive electrode tabs connected to the positive electrode being not less than a constant area in accordance with the quality of the material to be used for the tabs, said tabs connected to the positive electrode being selected from among aluminum tabs wherein a total cross-sectional area of all of said tabs connected to the positive

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